

London

Italians Plan Big Display at Exposition

Paris

Anglo-American Fair Grows in Popularity

Berlin

Ambassador Page Rents Castle as Home

Rome

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British Railroad Engineers Invite Conferences in United States to Join.

HAVE 'WILD WEST' SHOW
Latest Project Is "Business Men's Section" to Display Labor and Time-saving Devices.

Special Cable to The Washington Herald.
London, Dec. 12.—Extraordinary interest being shown in the Anglo-American Exhibition next year. London newspapers are devoting columns of space to it.

One great recent event has been the cordial invitation issued by the railroad engineers of Great Britain to their counterparts in the United States. This body, which is fully representative of every railroad interest in the country, has just held a conference in London. As a result of its deliberations it has decided to acquire one of the largest buildings at the exposition and therein demonstrate every advance in the industry since the days of Stephenson's "Rocket".

But the engineers decided that their own exhibition without American cooperation would be incomplete. They have therefore asked their kindred, the directors of the Anglo-American Exhibition, to give general of the exposition, who is now in New York, to issue a cordial invitation to the railroad engineers of the United States to participate in their efforts. The idea being that, at an exposition of this kind, typifying the progress of science and progress between two great English-speaking peoples, the representation of one country's work without that of the other would be almost futile.

Business Men's Project.
Following the lead of the railroad men, the horticultural societies of Great Britain, representing the 20 leading firms of the country, have issued a similar invitation to the United States. They desire that the garden arrangements of the exposition, including twelve gigantic rock gardens, shall take the form of a competition between the two nations as to which can execute the better landscape work. Conventions will also be held at which all subjects appertaining to horticulture can be discussed by the specialists of both countries.

The latest project, launched by a gathering of the leading commercial men of England, is a "Business Men's Section," with the idea of demonstrating and improving all that makes for time and labor-saving in office life. Demonstrations will be given of every modern device in all occupations, ranging from the accounts to advertising and from banking to law work.

May See "Wild West."
A musical section has also come into being, and with the expectation of much cooperation from the United States a large building has been taken wherein will be shown the various stages in the development of musical instruments.

In connection with the Wild West show is the famous stadium. It is now almost certain that Buffalo Bill, with his legions of admirers in Great Britain, will be induced to come to London and once more give the famous show that attracted all London lines out of number. The idea of approaching Buffalo Bill came from numerous members of the public, who wrote to the committee of the exposition intimating that the Wild West show would provide a fitting opportunity for the famous showman to make his farewell bow to the British people.

Committees Work Together.
At a luncheon held at the Savoy Hotel recently it was announced that every step taken by the exposition committee, working hand in hand with the Anglo-American Committee, was being taken in the most efficient manner possible.

Church Strike Grows Serious
Much Concern Caused Among German Religious Authorities.

Special Cable to The Washington Herald.
Berlin, Dec. 12.—The growth of the agitation for a "universal strike" against the church is causing serious concern among German religious authorities.

The immediate cause of the movement is to encourage secessions, which have already reached very considerable proportions from the established state church. Seeing that persons who renounce their religious affiliations are exempt from the church tax, it can be easily imagined that the German economic soul jumps not unreasonably at the opportunity, and that the number of withdrawals is increasing with quite alarming rapidity.

How seriously the situation is regarded is shown by the authorities proposing to raise the fee for registering withdrawal of church membership to £25. The present fee is £5 cents.

Queen Mary Does Her Christmas Shopping at Home; Tradesmen Submit Their Goods
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These are in the nature of brooches, buckles, and jappins, and all are silver-mounted. A selection of knitted shawl and other wool scarfs, vests, and shawls was also acquired both by the King and Queen, and her majesty purchased several handsomely carved walking sticks for presents to her friends.

SHE MAY BECOME EMPRESS.

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London, Dec. 12.—A novel cure for pyorrhea, alveolar, or diseased tooth sockets, has been discovered by Dr. A. C. Valadier, of New York and Paris, in conjunction with Dr. D. M. Bertrand, of the Pasteur Institute, who have just communicated the results of their experiments to the French National Society of Biology.

After protracted researches Dr. Valadier and Bertrand found pus was contained in diseased tooth sockets which were thus infected with harmful bacteria, including the pneumonia germ. These subsequently prepared vaccine which, after several injections kills these germs. Two hypodermic injections of vaccine strengthen the patient and his teeth are thus in a condition to undergo the usual process of mechanical cleaning. After injections of the vaccine in the thigh or lumbar regions all the bacteria in the tooth sockets disappear and his pyorrhea alveolaris is cured.

RUSSIA MAKES STRONG BID FOR U. S. TRADE

Special Cable to The Washington Herald.
St. Petersburg, Dec. 12.—The Russian government has just taken definite steps toward improving its trade relations with the United States under the new reduced tariff.

It has created a department within its chamber of commerce to be known as the Samples Museum. Here all descriptions of raw and manufactured articles for which there is a promising American market will be displayed.

The difficulties besetting Russian commercial travelers who cross the Atlantic to organize business was discussed at a meeting of twenty representative American businessmen held here, and as this is the main obstacle to the growth of Russian exports to the United States, it was pointed out that the new Samples Museum was organized mainly to overcome the difficulty by bringing the goods directly under the eyes of American agents in Russia.

One large American house has just ordered 100,000 articles of Russian work carved by peasants to be sent to New York, the goods all being of the useful or decorative class.

High Prices for Canvases.
Modern Masters Bring Big Bids at Berlin Auction.

Special Cable to The Washington Herald.
Berlin, Dec. 12.—Unexpectedly high prices have been paid for a number of paintings of modern masters which were sold by auction last week.

Adolph Menzel's famous masterpiece, "Frederick the Great at the Grave of the Great Elector," fetched \$4,000; Constantin Meunier's "Cattle" sold for \$2,750; C. F. Deiker's "Winter" brought \$1,800; Oswald Achenbach's "Italian Landscape" went for \$1,500.

There was some lively bidding for the painting of Verboeckhoven's "Landscape in Storm," which went for \$1,250. A clever effective study by Eduard Gutzmer, entitled "Interior View of a Church," brought \$1,000; while Michael Munkacsy's "Deaf Preacher" went for \$500.

At another auction here two small aquatints, by Max Liebermann, "A View of the Harbor" and "Dutch Girls," were sold for \$25. Some Gobelins tapestry of the seventeenth century, with a Biblical theme, realized \$200.

BEARDS GONE; BRAINS GONE.
French Post Deplores the Shaven Condition of His Nation.

Special Cable to The Washington Herald.
Paris, Dec. 12.—Here is what Paul Port, the "Prince of Poets," has to say about the effect of beards on the intellectual life:

"I tell you that French intellectuality has departed with French beards. Where have they gone, the beards that we used to see; the soft and golden beards of young poets; the black Aryan beards of our robust men of business; the silvery beards of the savants and academicians?"

"Why should we want to look like Anglo-Saxons, shaving the hair from our faces as if we were ashamed of it?"

U. S. DENTIST AIDS FRENCH.
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The bulk of the royal Christmas presents will be selected at Buckingham Palace, for "the Queen privately visits one or two shops, these visits are principally for the purchase of jewelry, all the fancy goods being sent to the palace from the firms it is decided to patronize.

A large apartment, generally the Bow Library, is set aside for the display, large trestle tables being put up for the occasion. On these the various goods are arranged with as much care as would be displayed in dressing a shop window. Each article is labeled with the name of the firm and the price marked in plain figures.

CROWN PRINCE LEARNS TRADE.

Special Cable to The Washington Herald.
Berlin, Dec. 12.—The German crown prince is now a tradesman, having adopted the handicraft of a master turner.

A complete turner's workshop has been erected for his royal highness at his villa at Langfur, and he is assiduously working at his new trade under the instruction of a Dantzig master at the craft.

As a matter of fact, the crown prince is only carrying out the traditions of his family, as it is an unwritten law that every member of the house of Hohenzollern should become a trade. Prince Henry, the Kaiser's brother, is a master mechanic, while the sons of Prince Leopold, the Kaiser's cousin, are experts in cabinetmaking and the locksmith's trade.

WILL MOVE FRANKLIN PLAQUE.
Mistake in London Residence of Great American.

Special Cable to The Washington Herald.
London, Dec. 12.—Much controversy has been waged over the demolition of the house where dwelt, it was believed, the famous Benjamin Franklin, at 7 Craven street, Charing Cross.

The Royal Society of Arts affixed a memorial tablet on the walls, but later it was discovered that Franklin did not live there. Sir Laurence Gomme, the scholarly clerk of the London County Council, set his wits working, and states that the houses in that street were renumbered prior to 1860, and that the one occupied by Mrs. Stephenson, Franklin's landlady, is now numbered 8, being situated on the east side of the street, the present No. 7 being on the west side, a few doors from the Strand.

So the duchess of Artois has had to hand down its colors and express its regret for having assigned Franklin's memorial to an abode in which he never dwelt. The plaque, no doubt, will be transferred in due course.

REVERTS TO OLD STOCK.
Galle Strait Absorbs American Family of Vile-Griffins.

Special Cable to The Washington Herald.
Paris, Dec. 12.—The approaching marriage of Mlle. Marie Antoinette Vile-Griffin with Count Jean de Mas de Passac brings out a rare revelation on the part of an American family to its original French stock.

The bride-elect is the daughter of the first Frenchman of the name of Vile-Griffin, a distinguished poet, and his wife, a Miss Griffin. His mother was a Miss Griffin, and his father, as is not uncommon in France and Spain, was a Vile-Griffin, a distinguished poet, and his mother was a Miss Griffin.

He has five daughters, all exquisite French girls. The eldest is married to a French count. Now the second is about to marry Count de Mas. And the other three are sure to marry counts also. Thus the son of a dyed-in-the-wool American mother brings up a brood of five beautiful French countesses.

KING GEORGE STICKS TO TURF.
Will Race Steer Next Year Despite Season Just Closed.

Special Cable to The Washington Herald.
London, Dec. 12.—The King has intimated to Lord Marcus Beresford, who has control of the royal racing stud, and to his trainer, Richard Marsh, that he proposes to continue an active connection with the turf for at least another twelve months, though the amount his majesty won during the flat racing season just ended between £500 and £2,000 has no means sufficed to cover the expenses of his training establishment.

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ITALIAN DISPLAY AT PANAMA FAIR

The Official Announcement in Rome Puts at Rest Rumors of Difficulties.

ASSURANCES TO PAGE
Fitting Representation of Nation's Standing in Field of Industry to Be Made.

Special Cable to The Washington Herald.
Rome, Dec. 12.—At last the difficulties which hitherto have prevented an official representation of Italy's participation in the Panama-Pacific Exposition in San Francisco have been removed.

In a few days the State Department will issue the proper order directing the Chief of Commerce all over Italy to forward to Rome the names of merchants and manufacturers who desire to exhibit in the national pavilion which will be erected at the exposition grounds.

A rumor was circulated some time ago to the effect that the ministry of agriculture, industry and commerce had been instructed to discontinue its preparations in view of certain negotiations between the Italian Ambassador and American State Department in Washington. The rumor was exploded when it was explained this was merely a precautionary measure intended to insure the San Francisco fair an exhibit most in keeping with the industrial development of modern Italy.

Not Dependent on Treaty.
Further explaining the report, the minister of foreign affairs said that some time ago negotiations were opened for a new commercial treaty based on the Underwood tariff, and that participation in the Panama Exposition, however, was not subordinated to a successful conclusion of these negotiations, inasmuch as participation was decided upon last spring when Parliament voted £200,000 for the erection of an Italian pavilion in San Francisco.

Present efforts of the government are being directed toward offering a fitting representation of the progress of Italian industry in the field of industry. Every means is being taken to discourage manufacturers and makers of plaster from sending their wares to San Francisco, and the government has been overdone in past exhibitions.

Italy now is specially endeavoring to make a good show of electrical and mechanical industries, with preference for electro-mechanics, artistic furniture, cut glass, and porcelain. Some difficulty is anticipated in collecting a representative display of some of these articles, owing to the fact that the Italian industries are still in the grip of a financial crisis due to two years of continuous war.

Strong hopes are entertained, however, of a representative exhibit, owing to the patriotic spirit of the Italians having been aroused to vindicate the dignity of their country.

The Ambassador Page has already received official assurances that Italy will be fittingly represented at San Francisco.

FROM STAGE LOVE TO REAL.
Romance of Noble English Couple Starts at Rehearsals.

Special Cable to The Washington Herald.
London, Dec. 12.—Although it has not been announced officially, the engagement between Sir Edward Naylor-Landale and Lady Kathleen Hastings has long been known to their friends.

Sir Edward, the son of an American mother, long has been regarded as one of the greatest "catches" in society. Lady Kathleen is the talented daughter of the Earl and Countess of Huntingdon. The Hastings family, which is one of the oldest in England, attained to the earldom in the fourteenth century.

Two young people were first thrown together during rehearsals for an amateur theatrical performance in which the baronet played the title role and the peer's daughter was the heroine.

Stage love-making led to real thing, and now a new chateau of the stately Hyde Park house in London and of the great Welsh estate Nantely is expected. As everybody knows, the present Lady Naylor-Landale was formerly Chamberlain of Cleveland, whose position in society is illustrious. She has reigned twenty years as a remarkable London beauty.

TURNING OUT TANGO GOWNS.
London Dressmakers Are Kept Busy Building Dresses for Dance.

Special Cable to The Washington Herald.
London, Dec. 12.—Nearly every smart dressmaker in London is busy creating tango gowns, and some of the prettiest are being made for several young actresses for private wear.

One which has been made for Miss Mabel Russell is charming as well as original. It is fashioned of black charmeuse, split up a little in the front, and has an exceptionally long train which springs from the back and side and tapers to the narrowest point possible.

This long train is caught up to the hand with a little loop and has a wonderfully graceful effect with the swing and dip of the figure when the wearer is dancing.

QUEEN'S GUEST SMOKES.
Royal Visitor from Vienna Shocks English Monarch.

Special Cable to The Washington Herald.
London, Dec. 12.—As is well known, Queen Mary has strong opinions on the subject of smoking, and her women guests, if they feel that they must smoke, have to indulge in a cigarette in their bedrooms.

Royal guests, however, always please themselves, and her majesty was a little astonished recently when the Duchess of Hohenberg, the wife of the Archduke Francis Ferdinand, took out a clear immediately after breakfast.

The cigars which the duchess smokes are made of the choicest Havana leaf and are far less harmful than the scented cigarettes which most women smokers use.

GRAND DUKES HER GUESTS.
Special Cable to The Washington Herald.

Paris, Dec. 12.—Mrs. William E. Corey's parties at the Chateau Villagrand, near Paris, continue to be the darling feature of the winter's social world.

The Russian grand dukes are still her principal guests, her latest luncheon and dinner being in honor of the Grand Duke Boris, to which nearly fifty persons, including Lord Alfred and Lady Paget, and Sir Richard Harper Grey, were invited. Among the other guests were Don Francesco de Pombal, Miss Hester Crause, and Mrs. Corine Gilman.

VIOLET RAYS WHITEN TEETH.

Paris Dentist Has New Treatment for Discolored Mouths.

Special Cable to The Washington Herald.
Paris, Dec. 12.—A new method of dentistry is being introduced in Paris in the form of treatment of the teeth by ultra-violet rays.

Sun rays from a mercury lamp, it is asserted, have the power of whitening discolored teeth and sterilizing them in such a way that they are not so easily liable to decay. The teeth to be treated are looked from the root which are covered with a rubber shield. The face, too, is protected by a mask. The teeth are then washed with oxygenated water and exposed for an hour to the direct action of the rays.

It is stated that the teeth acquire a luster like that of pearls. Two sittings a year are recommended to keep the teeth in good condition.

DEAD WOMAN'S CASH HELD.
Russia Refuses to Give Up Property of Traveler from United States.

Special Cable to The Washington Herald.
St. Petersburg, Dec. 12.—The sequel to the death of Mrs. Mary Aldridge Wing, of Boston, N. Y., in St. Petersburg a year ago, when on a tour with a party of American friends, is causing a discordant feeling among the Americans here as to the probable fate of their belongings should they have the misfortune to die in Russia.

It seems that upon the death of an American in Russia, the body and belongings are jointly looked after by the American consul and the chief of police, the latter being intrusted with the personal effects, which in the case of Mrs. Wing included more than \$1,000 in cash. The body was shipped to New York without the slightest hitch, but her effects, which even in bureaucratic Russia should have been restored to the family within six months, have not yet been handed over, and it is impossible to say when they will be. The reason assigned is that the government is procrastinating matters in revenge for the abrogation of the treaty with the United States.

GERARDS GUESTS AT RECEPTION.
Winter Sports in Germany Attract Tourists.

Special Cable to The Washington Herald.
Berlin, Dec. 12.—One of the largest social events of the week was the reception given by Miss Agnes Kerr, a prominent member of the American colony, for Mrs. Stewart, of Grand Rapids, Mich. Among the guests were Ambassador and Mrs. Gerard, Mrs. Gherard, Dr. Alice Luce, Mr. and Mrs. R. C. Conger, and Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Dyer.

The growing popularity of winter sports is having a marked effect on the movement of tourist traffic at this season of the year. Berlin hotel registers show a uniformly high per centage of arrivals for December. The majority of these are winter sports enthusiasts, who are getting a glimpse of holiday festivities before leaving for Switzerland and South Germany.

BURT CALLED FROM ITALY.
Washington Summons Veterans Vice Consul in Florence for Years.

Special Cable to The Washington Herald.
Florence, Dec. 12.—William A. Burt, for many years the American vice consul here, has been summoned to Washington.

Harry Burton, who arrived in Florence a week ago, will leave Egypt with Theodore Davis, Egyptologist, both going to the Luxor excavations.

The latest arrivals here include Miss Vida Ripham, who is the guest of Mrs. Ashton; Mr. and Mrs. John L. Dunlop and Thomas Dunlop, of Louisville; Mrs. A. W. Barnum, and Miss Haldon Hardy, also of Kentucky.

ROSE-PINK GAS NOW RAGE.
"Neon Lamp," Englishman's Discovery, Gives Out Beautiful Light.

Special Cable to The Washington Herald.
London, Dec. 12.—Much discussion is going on concerning the new Neon lamp, which gives out a beautiful rose-pink color peculiarly suited for bouquets and tea rooms.

Neon, which is an atmospheric gas, was discovered by the English scientist, Sir William Ramsay. It is said to possess the property of allowing an electric current to traverse it under certain conditions of pressure and temperature and of turning a large proportion of it into the rose-pink light.

Libretto in Three Tongues.
Special Cable to The Washington Herald.

Rome, Dec. 12.—Paolo Litta, an Italian composer, has not only written the music and libretto of an opera, but has written the libretto in three languages—Italian, French, and German.

FORMER ACTRESS, NOW LADY OF TITLE, HAS STAGE FRIGHT
Special Cable to The Washington Herald.

Rome, Dec. 12.—Lovers of Rome are protesting against the spirit of vandalism displayed by the municipality in allowing the demolition of the ancient Roman ruins to be sacrificed to utilitarian purposes.

The venerable Appian Way, with its countless associations of olden times, will now be disfigured by the construction of a modern tramway. In the interior of the city streets are being torn up and ancient treasures sacrificed to projected enlargements.

AMERICAN WOMEN JOIN FRENCH SOCIETIES
SEEKING TO PRESERVE HISTORIC CHATEAUX

"Friends of Versailles" and "Friends of Fontainebleau" Have Recruited from the States.

By MARQUIS DE CASTELLANE.
Special Cable to The Washington Herald.

Paris, Dec. 12.—I notice with pleasure a movement among American women to join our useful and artistic and philanthropic societies.

Three of these societies are particularly popular among the more fashionable Paris American women. These are the "Friends of Versailles," the "Friends of Fontainebleau," and the "Friends of the Louvre." The names indicate their objects.

The Friends of Versailles do all in their power to enhance the ancient glories of that royal town. The Chateau is as precious to them as the apple of one's eye. The Grand Trianon and the Little Trianon are to them most prized gems.

The members of the society of Fontainebleau, of Philadelphia, I notice that there are many royalists in the society, doubtless because they flock to the protection of the far-famed chateau built by the most magnificent of the Bourbons, Louis XIV.

Similarly the Friends of Fontainebleau work for it. Here the glories of Napoleon are as costly.